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December 7, 1959

**INFORMATION OBTAINED REGARDING A DISCUSSION
BETWEEN A LEADING COMMUNIST PARTY, USA,
FUNCTIONARY AND A HIGH-RANKING OFFICIAL OF
THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF JAPAN IN PEKING, CHINA**

A leading functionary of the Communist Party, USA, recently visited the Soviet Union and Red China. While in China, he had the occasion to converse with Sanzo Nozaka, chairman of the Communist Party of Japan. Nozaka was the head of a delegation from the Communist Party of Japan to the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China held in Peking, China, during September and October, 1959.

Nozaka advised the Communist Party, USA, functionary that he desired to work out a program between the Communist Party, USA, and the Communist Party of Japan. This program would call for a campaign against United States military bases on Japanese soil inasmuch as these bases are designed for use against the Soviet Union.

Nozaka stated that the Communist Party of Japan has developed a powerful movement in the form of a united front with the Socialist Party of Japan directed against the renewal of the security treaty between the United States and Japan. Nozaka stated that this is the most important political problem facing Japan today inasmuch as a new treaty could lead to war.

Nozaka related that while the leaders of the Socialist Party of Japan do not agree publicly with the Communist Party of Japan's fight against the renewal of the security treaty, they secretly met with the leadership of the Communist Party of Japan. In addition, the Communist Party of Japan is supported in this campaign by a national alliance. This national alliance consists of over 300 local alliances or committees composed of Socialist Party members and others.

Nozaka requested that the Communist Party, USA, attack the proposed security treaty between Japan and the United States and pointed out that this matter is of particular significance in view of the scheduled visit of Japanese Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi to the United States in December, 1959.

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In regard to the Communist Party of Japan, Nozaka stated that the internal situation in the Party is very much improved. He explained that the sectarians have been ousted, the factional fight stopped and some persons who were expelled from the Party a few years ago have returned. He added that the Communist Party of Japan publishes a paper with a daily circulation of 50,000 and an additional circulation of 50,000 on Sunday.

Nozaka related that the Communist Party of Japan together with the Socialist Party and the trade-unions during the past year helped to defeat repressive legislation that Nobusuke Kishi attempted to get through parliament. Nozaka claimed that the United States desired to have this legislation adopted.

Nozaka concluded by asking for closer contacts between the Communist Party, USA, and the Communist Party of Japan and an arrangement was made to facilitate these contacts.

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VIA LIAISON

Mr. Allen W. Dulles
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Administration Building
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Allen:

I thought you would be interested in the information contained in the enclosed memorandum. This information was obtained as a result of our over-all coverage of the Communist Party, USA, and pertains to a recent discussion in Peking, China, between a leading functionary of the Communist Party, USA, and a high-ranking official of the Communist Party of Japan.

In view of the extremely sensitive nature of certain of the sources of our information, it is requested that the contents of this communication be afforded the most careful security and its use restricted to a need-to-know basis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature, likely of J. Edgar Hoover, is written in dark ink. The signature is stylized and cursive, with the first letter being a large 'J'.

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